# THE ROUGH RIDER

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## News Notes

Roosevelt debaters went on the air Wednesday, March 24, in a practice debate with an East Lansing high school. They broadcast over the Michigan State College station, WKAR.

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The Roosevelt-Rackham P. T. A. will hold its next meeting at 8 p. m., April 5, in the Roosevelt auditorium. Dr. Engleke, director of the Washtenaw County health unit, will be the speaker.

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To avoid congestion on the stairway leading to the cafeteria during the noon-hour, Mr. Menzi requests that students who are going to their lockers or who do not plan to go through the line, please use the north stairs to gain admittance to the lower corridor.

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Any students who have not yet registered for the University of Life are sincerely urged to do so before the next session this coming Sunday. It is a good opportunity to make new friends and to discuss problems of vital interest to everyone.

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There are several new students in Roosevelt who started since the beginning of the second semester. We wish to extend a hearty welcome to them all, and hope that they will find Roosevelt a school to be truly proud of.

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Several seniors have applied for admission to the University of Michigan for the summer semester. Among those who have been accepted are Karl Klaffke and Herman Keller.

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Special recognition is given to certain students who have purchased large bonds at school. Mary Savage and Gloria Jacobs, juniors, and Dorothy Savage, freshman, each have one hundred dollar bonds. Tom Wilcox possesses a fifty dollar bond. Numerous twenty-five dollar bonds have been sold.

## Irene Clyne Places First In Dramatic Declamation

Miss Marion Stowe, dramatic coach at the college, judged the Dramatic Declaration Contest, held this year in the auditorium, March 20, at 3:00. She chose from the group of five sophomore girls participating, the three who will represent the school in the District Contest. Irene Clyne, Marilyn Scheel, and Marilyn Begole were chosen on the basis of the characterization, feeling for the part, and the understanding of the laws of the stage.

Irene's winning declamation, was the favorite, "Mary Stewart". Marilyn Scheel chose "The Finger of God", and Marilyn Begole, handled the difficult "Knave of Hearts". Nancy Benson also chose "Mary Stewart" as her selection, while Delores Himmelspach used "Honey."

Miss Stowe commended Miss Stinson on her coaching, and remarked that she would like to have each of the girls in a class at some future time.

## U. High Students View R.H.S. Work

A full day of introductions to new places, faces, and ideas left representatives from the University High Student Council with a host of schemes and plans for their fellow students.

As representatives of a cross section of University High's 300 students, they were guests of the Roosevelt Council, March 9.

The four began their day sitting in on the regular business meeting of the Student Council, following which they toured classrooms, library, gymnasium, staff room and print shop, in search of ideas to take back to their Council.

They were treated to a talk with Mr. Matt Lappinen, Rough Rider printing sponsor, about the history of the school and Rough Rider. The co-editors were willing guides through the staff room.

The guests were fortunate in being able to listen in on the junior class oratorical contest. When they visited the gym, a lively physical fitness program class was in progress. They visited the Advanced Art class, shop courses, and swimming pool. The girls explored the Home Economics Laboratory with special interest, as this course is excluded at University High School.

George Mitchell, who had charge of the entertainment of the guests, Karl Klaffke, Phil Harmon, Hugh Ableson, Jim Chipman, Amy Lou Thomas, and Margaret Miller, who had the pleasure of guiding them on the tour, found that special entertainment was unnecessary, since the school itself was entertainment enough.

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## Juniors Present Play At Leland Sanitarium

Members of the junior class in the cast of the play **Not Tonight,** entertained the patients of Leland Sanitarium Wednesday evening, March 17, from 7:30 to 8:30. The play was presented as a part of a program given by the American Legion Rehabilitation Committee for the benefit of the patients.

The plays were given in the dining hall and the cast that made the journey was as follows: Rose, Doris Jedele; Chester, Kenneth Robbe; Admiral, Wendell Schoolmaster; Mother, Sue Sweet; and Aunt Fay, Lois Paupst. Virginia Kaufman acted as prompter and Sally Davis and Cathy Comstock were in charge of the stage settings.

Pupils of Marjorie Backus gave several novelty and tap dances to make up the remaining part of the program.

## Debaters Drop Quarter-Finals To Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook

### Defeat Eliminates Team From State Competition

Roosevelt debaters finally met their Waterloo in the quarter-finals for state championship at the hands of Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook. Having participated in fifteen previous debates and losing but one of these, the team had met only two defeats out of the sixteen contests, but this disqualifies them from further running for the state title.

The Cranbrook team debated affirmatively with Hugh Niell and Merrial Hunter as first and second speakers, resppectively. George Mitchell and Herman Keller supported Roosevelt's negative side, while Bill Worth acted as chairman of the debate. Instead of the usual one judge ,there were three, all from the University of Michigan: Mr. Hantz, Mr. Pott, and Mr. Richman.

After the debate, the Roosevelt team served refreshments for the visiting team, the judges, and friends.

Although the team is no longer debating for state championship, they debated against Marshall, which is still in the running, in a practice debate last Tuesday. The team enjoyed its debate season and is now urging enlistments for next year.

## *Training Will Be Valuable In Army*

In order to clarify the purpose of their pre-induction shop training and to show the boys the benefits that they will derive from this training once they are in the armed forces, Mr. Duane Chamberlain of the Industrial Arts department has been giving a series of supplementary lectures to his pre-induction shop classes in the Administration Building Shops.

Many questions asked by potential draftees all over the country were answered in these talks.

Mr. Chamberlain pointed out that in the modern U. S. Army, 86 out of every 100 men are trained spe

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## *250 Books Reported Missing From Library*

Miss Robinson, Roosevelt librarian, reports that as yet there has been little response to the call to return lost books to the library.

As the Rough Rider reported in the last issue, there are approximately 250 books missing. These books represent a terrific loss, and because of the high cost of replacements. it will mean that the library will be unable to procure many of the new books which it should have.

The librarian urges that all students again check their lockers and homes for any books they may have misplaced. She stressed the point that anyone can accidentally take a book out of the library, and that no steps will be taken to reprimand those who have had the books in their possession.

## R.H.S. Chorus To Sing At Community Festival

The Michigan Council of Defense for Victory has requested that a festival of American music be given in Ypsilanti. This concert will be given in Pease Audtorium on May 4 during National Music Week. It will consist of community singing and of instrumental and vocal compositions by the combined music groups of Michigan State Normal College, Central High School, Lincoln Consolidated School, and Roosevelt School.

The theme of the program is the development of democracy and music's contribution to it. This development will be traced from Indian music, through Puritan music, through music of the South, through Pioneer songs ,and will include songs of the World Wars.

Mr. Haydn Morgan is chairman of the committee and is assisted by representatives from the schools, namely Carl Lindegren and Marius Fossenkemper from the College, Mr. Roland Schaeffer from Central High, and Miss Lillian Ashby and D. Chester Ryan from Roosevelt.

## Annual Spring Swing Plans Progressing Under Seniors

Preparations are in progress by the senior class for the annual Spring Swing, a decorated party to be given Friday evening, May 7, from 8:30 to 11:30. It serves the purpose of initiating the freshmen into the realm of high school parties, as it is the first party to which they are invited.

Seniors elected Marion Brand as chairman of the party. The orchestra committee consists of Everett Chappell and Bob Dunn. Margaret Miller and Dora Parrish will take care of the invitations, and Margaret Anne Smith will head the decoration committee who are confronted with many problems because of recent safety regulations preventing the use of crepe paper and various other materials. Working with her are Roberta Leudeman, Amy Lou Thomas, Harold Harris, and Hugh Ableson.

The refreshment committee, under the direction of Phil Harmon, is composed of Christine Becker, Bill Worth, and Eugene Field. Volunteers for the clean-up committe are Phil Harmon, Karl Klaffke, Mary Alice Warner, Grace Sauers, Harold Harris, Albert Herrst, and Mitchell Golden.

Plans are well underway although not as yet completed, and the seniors promise a party that will be loads of fun for all who attend.

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## Mold Favorable Opinion

As students of Roosevelt, whether we have been here since kindergarten, the seventh grade, or have just enrolled within the last few years, we are proud of our school. We are proud because of the high reputation the students of Roosevelt have had for many years back. We feel a warm glow of pride when someone asks us what school we attend and we answer, "Roosevelt." All of us want to keep our school's reputation to the level of the past years or bring it to a higher level if possible. In doing so, we must watch our conduct in public places and be looked upon with respect by the citizens of the town because of our "not too boisterous" manner of having fun, our politeness and sincere respect for our elders, and our consideration for others.

The old saying, "Children should be seen and not heard" holds much truth today although it is not taken as literally as it was at one time. Boys and girls possessing a quiet manner attract as much or more attention than a noisy group and a much better impression is made, the results being of benefit to everyone concerned.

## R.H.S. Needs your Help

Roosevelt students should feel a strong pride in the appearance of their school building and of the grounds. Yet, who can feel proud of a building in which the walls are covered with pencil and crayon marks, where the halls are littered with papers, and where the lawns are cut up by people who would not take the few extra steps necessary to stay on the side-walks?

Students must be taught not to deface public property. They should remember that it is as much theirs as anyone's; their parents' taxes helped to pay for it. Why didn't they commission themselves to do their small part in caring for thier own property by seeing that there are no marks on the walls, no papers in the halls, and no ugly marks on the lawns.

In this, as in any other public project, we will need the wholehearted cooperation of every person. Do your part and make Roosevelt School's appearance something to really be proud of.

The school's janitors and custodians now have a greater and harder job than ever before. Besides keeping the school neat and clean, they must now repair and mend many broken things that could in peace time be replaced. The labor shortage prevents us from obtaining additional help to keep up with these new demands on our personnel.

Many of our students who stay around the building after school doing nothing at all could just as well make themselves useful by helping out the custodians. You know that it is not the kind of work that you do that determines whether or not you like it, but rather the number of people working with you that can make it fun. If enough of the students pitch in and help, we can undertake several projects to improve the appearance of the school and have some fun at the same time.

Any of those who are interested in organizing such a project should contact the editors, and we will do our best to get it started.

## *Personalities*

"Friends, Romans, countrymen lend me thine ears." So said the immortal Mark Anthony, and so sayeth the equally immortal long winded assistant. You see, children, it is the job of this poor brow-beaten, timid person to write the personalities for this paper every week, besides sweeping out the staff-room every morning and getting the editor's house slippers when he wants to take things easy. Also, if I do not laugh at the jokes written by the editors for the paper, they twist my arm until I howl with laughter.

Well, I have swept and dusted the room and Klaffke is reposing peacefully with his feet in slippers, and I have laughed at Harmon's jokes until I have a sore throat, and now they said I could begin to write my story. Anyway, the personality this time is about not a person but an organization. an organization that has been around here since almost the beginning of the school. And, believe it or not, it has made news in almost every issue of the paper that has come out. It is, children, the Roosevelt Student Council.

For the information of most of us, the Student Council was started here in 1929, when your long-winded assistant was in kindergarten. Naturally, I was elected president with an overwhelming majority, the combined total of my opponents votes being 0. Now seriously though, Ralph Steffrg was the first president and he started the fine work of the council that has continued ever since. At first Mr. DeBoer was the sponsor. Then when Mr. VandenBelt came here as principal, he assumed its leadership. Now Mr. Menzi is faculty sponsor of this fine organization, which talks little and gets much done. Beside having many duties, such as noon dances and noon movies, the Student Council helps in the scheduling of assemblies and in the planning of parties.

The Student Council has proved itself to have a real value in teaching students how to get things done on their own initiative. Here's a real cheer for the Student Council, then, for the real job it's doing.

## *Brisk Doin's*

What absent minded prof has a new theory on correcting economics papers he dictates a true-false quiz in back-to-front order and then checks the answers using a key which goes from front to back the first demonstration of this new and devolutionary theory was not as successful as it might have been as the whole class had over half of the questions wring . . . there's a song title which fits the status quo of a certain senior i found a million dollar baby at a five and ten cent store oh hum just another man the senior girls let slip through their fingers but ypsi high does have its advantages quoth ross, the guilty man . . . but then too one senior has been able to show that ypsi high does **not** have all the advantages she has snatched one of the men of the class of '43 right out of the grasp of a bewitching and now more or less bewildered y. h. s. beauty . . . do you remember when the freshmen girls at roosevelt were considered too young to know their way around the tables and turned now and it's the senior girls who don't get around much anymore . . . jimmy chipman leads a ruff life being torn between a cutie or a chem teacher and a certain junior oh well we don't know where our next pound of synthetic butter is coming from nowadays . . . it took a lot of persuasion but it is well to note that several of our sophomore girls finally got dates for the gold digger's ball as the result of a knock-down drag-out fight, sylvia grierson caught her man but we hear that dolores jones had to throw in four gallons of gas to cinch the deal . . . jim burnett and bob geddis have donated their services to the cleaning of the library windows as the result of the one big mistake of their lives naughty naughty mustn't skip library boys . . . you know we don't want to give out any false rumors in this column we will publish only the most choice bits of news that reach our attention so bring your tid-bits to the rough rider staff room we are running on a twenty-four hour schedule trying to get the paper out on time maybe it would help if we got some sleep once in a while.

## Help It Look Its Best

# Soph Declaimers Reach Semi-Final

The school semi-final Declamation Contest was held Friday, March 26, at 10:00 as a program for the ninth and tenth grades, and all other persons interested in the contest.

Three boys and three girls were chosen to represent the sophomores in the contest. Dick McElroy, George Alimpich and Scott Woods represented the boys. Lois Gates, Margaret Golczynski and Dorothy Steininger were chosen as the three gifts from the class.

Rev. Harvey Colburn, former Congregational minister in Ypsilanti and now residing here, Mrs. Paul Elliott, wife of Dr. Elliott of the Science Department, and Mr. Christopher Lane, who is a former student teacher of Roosevelt, now at the Michigan State College on a Teacher's Fellowship, were the judges of the event.

When the paper went to press the decisions in the contest were not yet made, but were disclosed following the contest on March 26.

# *The Star-Spangled Banner*

Clip these words and save them for future use in assemblies and other group sings.

**The Star Spangled Banner**

(First Verse)

Oh say! can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say, does that Star Spangled Banner still wave
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave?

(Second Verse)

On the shore, dimly seen thro' the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses.
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected, now it shines on the stream.
'Tis the Star Spangled Banner, Oh long may it wave,
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.

(Third Verse)

Oh, thus be it ever when free men shall stand
Between their lov'd homes and the war's desolation!
Blest with vic-t'ry and peace, may the heav-n-rescued land
Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust!"
And the Star Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

# Girl Scouts Celebrate Thirty-First Anniversary

To celebrate the 31st anniversary of Girl Scouting, all the Scout troops in Roosevelt met in the Roosevelt cafeteria, March 18, for a birthday dinner.

Each troop planned for its own food, with Troop 14 furnishing the desert, which was a large birthday cake. Table decorations were made by Troop 9.

Troop 5 was in charge of the program. With a background of piano music by Louis Paupst, the birthday cake candles were lighted. Scouts Marian Aldrich, Marian Himmelspach, Mary Rockefeller, Mary Chapman, Pat Smallidge, Evelyn Brown, Dorothy Lamb, Mary Alice Wilbur, Elizabeth Pfeiffer, and Brownie Jacqueline Wright, each recited a little verse as each candle was lighted.

Doris Jedele, toastmistess, then introduced Mrs. Loesell, scout commissioner, who made a wish for scouts and blew out the candles. The Girl Scout Traveling Secretary, Jenny Lind, gave a little talk, and then Dolores Himmelspach reviewed the life of Julia Lowe, founder of Girl Scouting. A short history of scouting in Ypsilanti was given by Phyllis Wright.

After the program Barbara Warner led the scouts in a few scout songs. Then they were intertained by moving pictures taken at Girl Scout Camps during previous summers.

Mrs. Alex Fox, Mrs. Ben Sovey, Mr. Menzi, and Mrs. C. Loesell were guests at the party.

# Troop I Places Third In First-Aid Contest

Scouts of Roosevelt Troop 1 captured third place at the recent first-aid contest held at Ypsilanti High School.

Ratings were given on the basis of neatness, speed, proper diagnosis of cases, and general first-aid knowledge. Roosevelt boys received a "B" plus rating; Troop 2 took second with an "A" minus rating; and Woodruff's troop took first with an "A" rating.

Boys paticipating from Troop 1 were James Bell, Charles Elliot, Don Vest, Tony Steimle, Carl Shuhn, and Jack Vest.

# Show Case Display Locates R.H.S. Grads In All Services

Miss Robinson, with the help of the Rough Rider and students, has filed the addresses of the Roosevelt alumni who are now in the armed forces. Because of the student interest of the location of the Roosevelt alumni in the armed forces, a large map of the United States has been put up in the display case.

Names are pinned to the spot where each alumnus is stationed. Symbols representing different parts of the world are placed on each side of the map, with names placed under these. There are now alumni in Alaska, Hawaii, Australia, Africa, and both the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

A Service Roll List, with statistics complete up to March 17, 1943, showed that there were 51 in the Army, one in the Marines 29 in the Navy, one in the Red Cross, an two in the Merchant Marines. This makes the total 84.

### PRESIDENT OF
## Student Council
### SAYS

Roosevelt athletic teams should be congratulated on doing a job that the American Army has been having trouble in doing—the job of winning games with the "leastest men at the lastest".

Roosevelt teams have had fine support from the students who came to watch them, the only thing that has been lacking is that a lot of those who are in the stands should be on the teams.

Looking at the problem from a selfish angle only, we see the actual physical benefits to be derived from the training you get in any sport. The physical training will come in handy when we go into the military forces. Aside from this, there is always the satisfied feeling within you, whether we win or lose, that you have done your bit for Roosevelt.

It won't be long now until spring sports roll around again, and the call will go out for more men. This spring let's win our games by having "the mostest, firstest".

### GUESS WHAT

Little fishes basking in the mud,
Washed through the roof in a drenching flood,
Which of you is christened Waldo Fud?
end of poem

Here she comes, so lend me your ears.
I struggled for Four score and seven years.
And for it I've given my Blood, sweat, and tears.
My oration's done; three cheers! three cheers!

Oh, smaller fry, don't flit away your time.
Cause when a Senior you'll be in the same fix I'm.
Learn your ciphers and your grammar well.
And it's impairatif that you shood learn to spell.

—Amalgamated Ananypussies of America, Inc.

# Pre-Induction

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cialists, and that the boys who have had previous training in these fields will be given preference for technical ratings. He further stated that by training high school boys in the pre-induction courses recommended by the Army, (fundamental shop training, fundamentals of electricity, fundamentals of machines, fundamental automobile mchanics, and fundamentals of radio) the government saves from 75 to 100 training hours for everp man.

At present Roosevelt offers only one of the five government-recommended courses—Fundamental of Shopwork. In this course the boys are taught how to use all the common hand tools, the principles of woodwork, metal-work, and tool maintainance. Some training is also given in the use of power tools, such as power saws, power jointers, and the machine lathe.

Boys who complete this course are given a certificate which will accompany them to their draft board, giving their qualifications and certifying that they have been members of a pre-induction class.

At present the shop class is engaged in learning the proper saw-filing techniques.

# Best Entries Selected In Legion Essay Contest

Roosevelt's candidates for the Legion Auxiliary-sponsored national essay contest have been selected. They are: boys, Bob Evans, Bob Dunn, and Donald Woodward; girls, Ethel Spike, Mary Alice Warner, Amy Lou Thomas, Joan Heyler, and Franzi Isbell.

These Roosevlt winners will compete with the first choices of other local schools. Winners from this contest will receive $350, $2.50, and $1.50 for first, second, and third prize, respectively. Boys and girls are judged separately.

Winners of the local contests all over the country will compete for the national prize of $100 and a set of encyclopedias.

# *Editor Collapses Into Waste Basket*

Due to circumstances beyond our control we are forced to print the following article:

**The Rough Rider Staff**

Flash!

Because of an overworked and rundown condition Karl Klaffke made a forced landing during a tense moment in a heated discussion on Victory Gardens. Just as these precise and vital words had left his mouth, "I have cut worms in my Rutabaga" he collapsed, crumpling, weakened and shaken into the recesses of a yawning pit, the waste basket.

The effect on passersby was immediate, they stopped, stunned, bewildered at the sight of an editor cramped into this receptacle generally believed to be intended for waste papers. As a green color began to rise to his ears, and his eyes began to bulge, it became evident that some form of action had to be taken, and a plan was formulated.

The crowd began to scatter, some searching for picks, axes, can-openers, and an undertaker.

Karl was alone helpless, speechless with panic. Then his benefactors began to return and just in time too, for Mr. Gatz in an absent minded mood had begun to dump our victim into the trash heap.

The situation was beginning to look hopeless when the hero dashed up on a prancing white motor bike with a team of horses and a pulley. Brave Karl anchored himself with faith while the horses tugged on the waste basket.

Liberated from an awful prison, Karl lay pawing the earth, while friends and relatives hovered about doing anything and everything within their power to help bend the waste basket back into shape.

Moral: Don't plant rutabagas.

## Oh, We Give Up

While war rages on foreign field and stream, $3.50 per year subscription price, F.O.B., Detroit, just ask the man that owns one and he'll tell you the best tunes of all go to Carnegie Hall in a street car because of gas rationing. By the by, street car motormen are needed badly nowadays because all galvanized tubs have been bought by the people, for the people and of the people, speaking of research study in molecular physics, Miss Robinson will be glad to accept volunteers to wash the library windows.

# ROUGH RIDER Sports

## *Residency Set-Up By Waldo And Wilbur*

What! You haven't heard of Waldo and Wilbur Fudd, the latest additions to the Roosevelt Roster?

Well, for you uninformed, Waldo and Wilbur are two glassy-eyed, open-mouthed fish who now swim happily in a fish bowl in the Rough Rider staff room. No one seems to know Waldo and Wilbur's complete history, but it seems that during a recent rain storm the roof started to leak in the north wing of the building. A tub was promptly placed under the miniature river coming in from above, and the next morning lo and behold—there were Waldo and Wilbur splashing around in the tub.

Then came the brain storm! Rough Rider Editor Harmon spoke the following words to co-editor Klaffke: "Let's adopt Waldo and Wilbur." That did it. A search was promptly begun to find a suitable receptacle for the two newest staff members, and soon they were happily swimming around watching their employees at work. Oh, I forgot to tell you, treat them with respect for our illustrious co-editors have promoted them to the rank of co-vice editors.

Until such time as a large aquarium can be found, they are now on public display in the class room of our famous biological instructor, Mr. Louis Golvpnski.

## The Outpost

Teacher: Let me hear how far you can count.

Campbell: One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, jack, queen, king, ace.

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Teacher: Name two pronouns.

Dunn: Who, me?

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Mr. Wilcox: Can you tell me about nitrates?

Margaret Smith: Well-er-er, they're a lot cheaper than day rates.

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Klaffke: I am indebted to you for all I know.

Mr. Golczynski: Oh, don't bother over such a mere trifle.

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She: How old do you think I am?

He: About twenty-two.

She: How on earth did you guess?

He: I didn't, I just counted the rings under your eyes.

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She: Thanks for the Hug.

He: Oh, the pressure was all mine.

"Here's where I cut a good figure," said the college girl as she sat on the broken bottle.

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The senior boys have a new one on the Superman radio show. 'Look! Up in the sky. It's a bird! It's a plane, No, it's Wayne Thompson!"

## Column Dope Full Of

Well "Chilluns" the swimming team's activities did not end with the state meet, Feb. 27. For those of you who still take gym and swimming you noticed, most likely you did, that the pool is nice and clean and really looks good. Well you can thank the boys on the swimming team and also a few boys in the seventh and eighth grades, because one afternoon after school they spent some time, and using that good elbow-grease they did a good job on taking the dirt from the sides of the pool. Nice going, fellows!

* * *

It looks tough for spring sports this year, boys, so you had better get out and show what school spirit you have by putting all that you have in them. Due to the war, it has been hard this year to make adequate arrangements for sports events, especially to make complete schedules. It is hard for anyone to be certain about the future for sports, but it looks as though by next year more complete plans will be made ,and all the difficulties arising due to rationing and other war time restrictions will be done away with.

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Well, Spring is here and I god a CCod in my dose. In spring a young man's fancy turns to Sears & Rosebuck seed catalogs and victory gardens. I suggest to the male element of Roosevelt that their fancies turn to keeping themselves in good physical condition. If you don't take gym, I suggest that you see Mr. Menzi or Mr. Walker about getting into a gym class. Keep yourself in good condition for Uncle Sam.

## Student Council Sponsors Annual Gold Diggers Ball

Sophomore, junior, and senior girls turned out equally well with their men for the annual Gold Digger's Ball, held Friday, March 26, in the Roosevelt gymnasium, under the sponsorship of the Student Council.

Sam Clark, as chairman, and Scott Woods, as his assistant, made all the arrangements for the party. Pop and candy were sold in a canteen, while Ralph Wilson and his orchestra provided the music.

Joyce Benedict and Roberta Luedeman of the art department, made colorful posters announcing the affair. Phil Harmon, Sam Clark, and Karl Klaffke handled the publicity stunts.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Menzi and Miss Vera North were the faculty sponsors. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Benedict, parents of Joyce Benedict, Student Council secretary, and Mr. and Mrs. James Warner, parents of Mary Alice Warner, were parent chaperons of the evening.

## *The Service Flag*

There is a total of 85 R. H. S. grads in the armed services at the time of this writing, with the following distribution: Army, 52; Navy, 29, Marines, 1; Red Cross, 1; and Merchant Marines, 2.

The latest additions ade:

Allen, Clare, Naval Training School, Dearborn, Mich.

Browning, Ralph, Bn. 54, Reg. 29, Co. 213, U. S. N. T. C., Great Lakes, Ill.

Conn, Harry, A. S. Reserve School, New London, Conn.

Cox, Arlo, 506th Tech. School, Squadron 23, B. T. C. No. 5, Kearns, Utah.

Finklea, Lucian, U. S. Navy, San Diego, Cal.

Fletcher, Philip, U. S. Army Air Corps, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Merryfield, Glenford, E. T. C. Building No. 5, 52nd Coast Artillery, Fort Miles, Delaware.

VandenBelt, Ben, Jr., 36577586 Co. C, 15th Ting. Reg't., Camp Robinson, Ark.

Whitehouse, Frank, Army Air Corps, Scott Feld, Ill.

## Coach Walker Announces Varsity, Reserve Awards

Winter sports are over, and spring sports are ready to begin. But one thing remains before the conclusion of this year's winter sports, that is the announcement of the winners of letters. Those who won their varsity letters in swimming are: Art Campbell, Hermann Keller, Phil Harmon, Bud Susterka, Jim Chipman, Jim Burnett, Keith Gundrum, and Jim Smith. Reserve letters go to Scott Woods, Melvin Salem, George Mitchell, and Jim Rynearson.

Eight varsity letters were also awarded to the basketball squad. The letters going to Hugh Ableson, Lamar Miller, Duane Taylor, Bob Moorman, Kenneth Richardson, Ted Taylor, Bill Bair, and James Harris.

David Hertler will receive a manager's letter for his managing effort throughout the season.

There were no reserve letters awarded for basketball.

## R.H.S Chorus Plans Seasoual Activities

The Roosevelt High School Chorus will present a program of sacred music at 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, April 18, in the Roosevelt Auditorium. It will be the same as the Good Friday program, but by presenting it on Sunday afternoon an opportunity will be given for parents and friends to attend.

Some of the compositions are "All in the April Evening" by Roverton, "Go to Dark Gethsemane" by Noble, "O Bone Jesu" by Palestina, "Jesus Priceless Treasure" by Bach, and "Spring Bursts Today" by Thompson.

The chorus will also sing for the college vespers on April 14 at 6:45

## Lincoln Defeats Roosevelt In First Tournament Game

In the first area basketball game to be played, the Roosevelt Rough Riders were defeated by the Lincoln Railsplitters 22-13.

In this game which was held in the Ypsilanti High gymnasium, the Rough Riders started out well with Moorman making the first basket of the game. But in return Lincoln scored 11 points and held the Rough Riders to one more during the first half

Starting the scond half with the score 11-3 in their favor, Lincoln was held to four points, but Roosevelt was held to only 1 point, this being Ken Richardson's free throw.

In the last two minutes of the last quarter the Rough Riders let go with a burst of defensive power to score 7 points. While making these points Lincoln was held to four points.

Towler of the Railspliters was their lead man while Bob Moorman was Roosevelt's best man of the evening on both offense and defense, even though he was taken out in the third quarter on fouls.

Ableson, Richardson, and D. Taylor were Roosevelt's high men with 3 points each, while Towler of Lincoln made 5 points.

This is the second time Roosevelt has been defeated by Lincoln, the first time by a score of 28-[illegible].

Lincoln recently defeated University High of Ann Arbor for the Huron League championship.

Scoring by quarters:

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | T. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lincoln | 3 | 3 | 7 | 4 | —22 |
| Roosevelt | 3 | 0 | 3 | 7 | —13 |

The standings:

Lincoln

| | B | F | M | P | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wanty, rg | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| E. Bobicz, lg | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Towler, c | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Dysinger, rf | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| K. Bobicz, lf | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Reid | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Thompson | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Campbell | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mull | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Savinski | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Czynski | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Totals | 9 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 22 |

Roosevelt

| | B | F | M | P | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Richardson, rg | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Ableson, lg | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| Moorman, c | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| Miller, lf | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Taylor, D., rf | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Bair | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Totals | 5 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 13 |

## U-High

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One of the guests said that he had not believed that two high schools could possibly be so different. According to the votes taken continually by the group, it would seem logical to consider the trip a success. Roosevelt may soon feel the benefits of their suggestions concerning new and different ways of managing school affairs.

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Teacher: Karl, are you teaching this class?

Karl: No mam.

Teacher: Then sit down and stop acting like a fool.

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Newton's thirty-third law: The dimmer the porch light, the greater the scandal power.